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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH MININT GEN BAGHIR

1. SUMMARY: MININT BAGHIR (A) INDICATED ALL DECISIONS CONCERNING TERRORISTS AND TRIAL AWAITING RETURN PRESIDENT NIMAIRI AND (B) CONFIRMED GOS CONSIDERS INFO PERTAINING TERRORISTS WE PARTICULARLY SENSITIVE INFORMATION. END SUMMARY

2. TERRORISTS: I PAID A COURTESY CALL ON GEN BAGHIR TODAY (ACCOMPANIED BY POLOFF NATIRBOFF) AND EXPRESSED APPRECIATION GOS AND BAGHIR' S HANDLING KHARTOUM TRAGEDY AND PUBLIC STATEMENTS BY PRESIDENT NIMAIRI CONCERNING THE CRIME. I ALSO PROVIDED HIM COPY DEPUNDERSEC MACOMBER MAR 8 APPEARANCE ON " TODAY" TV SHOW. AS WITH FONMIN KHALID, I NOTED OUR AWAREMESS GOS FACES COMPLEX PROBLEM WHICH WE DID NOT WISH COMPLICATE, BUT WE OBVIOUSLY INTER-ESTED IN TERRORISTS AND I WOULD APPRECIATE BRIEF SUMMARY OF CURRENT SITUATION. HE SAID ALL DECISIONS CONCERNING TRIAL (INCLUDING TIMING) WERE UNCERTAIN AND MUST AWAIT RETURN PRES NIMAIRI FROM HIS OVERSEAS TRIP. HE DID SAY, HOWEVER, THAT GOS IS IN " NO HURRY" AND THAT IT DID NOT WISH HAVE " TOO MANY THINGS GOING ON AT ONE TIME" I. E. SHANAAN TRIAL. HE REFUSED INDICATE WHETHER TRIAL WOULD EVEN BEGIN DURING MONTH APRIL. IN ONLY REAL SUBSTANTIVE COMMENT, HE INDICATED GOS HAD BEEN IRRITATED BY PLO REP SHURANI ARRIVAL STATEMENT AT KHARTOUM (MAR 20-- IN WHICH SHURANI DISASSOCIATED PLO/ FATAH FROM KHARTOUM MURDERS) SINCE IT HAD BEEN MADE TO PRESS WITHOUT PRIOR GOS KNOWLEDGE OR COORDINATION. HE STATED PLO/ FATAH POSITION ON DISASSOCIATION HAD " HELPED A BIT," BUT HE WOULD NOT BE DRAWN OUT ON MEANING THAT TERM ADY ELSE.

WE KNOW ALL THE DETAILS ABOUT THE POSITIONS MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL TOOK DURING THE INTENSIVE CONSULTATIONS HELD UP TO THE VERY LAST MINUTE BEFORE THE DRAFT RESOLUTION WAS PUT TO THE VOTE, AND I NEED NOT REFER TO THEM. HOWEVER,

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THERE IS A LESSON IN TODAY' S VETO. IT IS A MESSAGE TO ALL
THE SMALL COUNTRIES THAT THE TIME OF FAIRNESS AND GENEROSITY
HAS NOT YET ARRIVED AND THAT THEY HAVE TO CONTINUE THEIR
STRUGGLE, BUT NO LONGER UNAIDED AND NO LONGER FENCED OFF FROM
THE OUTSIDE WORLD, A WORLD OUTSIDE SO- CALLED SPECIAL ZONES,
SPHERES OR REGIONS. AND IT IS A LESSON THAT ONE MUST PERSIST,
HELPED BY ALL THOSE WHO FEEL MORE ACUTELY A THE NEEDS OF THE
MODERN WORLD AND WHO UNDERSTAND THAT THE ONLY WAY IN WHICH
WE CAN HAVE CIVILIZED AND SECURE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
IS BY THE APPLICATION OF THE PRINCIPLES OF THE CHARTER
TO ALL INTERNATIONAL DISPUTES.

WE ARE SURE THAT THE PEOPLE OF PANAMA WILL TAKE THIS
NOT AS A DEFEAT BUT AS A CHALLENGE IN THEIR JUST
STRUGGLE. AND WE HOPE THAT THOSE WHO MUST DO SO WILL
RECONSIDER AND WILL BE MORE FORTHCOMING AND MORE FLEXIBEL
NEXT TIME, SINCE THIS QUESTION WILL SURELY COME UP AGAIN
FOR OUR CONSIDERATION IN THE NOT TOO DISTANT
FUTURE. END QUOTE.
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